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Summer 2014 Internship Opportunities at the Stewart B. McKinney National Wildlife Refuge: Island Stewards

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The Stewart B. McKinney National Wildlife Refuge is seeking enthusiastic individuals to spend their summer as **Island Stewards** in beautiful coastal Connecticut while gaining valuable, well-rounded experience working in the natural resources field.

Duties include but are not limited to: interacting with the public by conducting interpretive tours and educational programs, assisting with island maintenance projects, invasive species management, wildlife and vegetation surveys, nest counts, fencing/posting habitat, pollinator monitoring, working with threatened and endangered bird species, etc.

Internships will begin on May 19th and continue until mid-August (date flexible). Schedules will be around 40 hours per week, but will vary frequently in the length of day and start time. Stewards will live on islands with other staff in rustic field camp settings. Housing may be provided in Westbrook, CT on days off.

Applicants must have the ability to perform the physical duties of the position including being able to work in all kinds of weather, over different types of terrain, in areas with poison ivy, and with biting insects. Applicants must be able to work with minimal supervision, be very independent and easy-going, be able to work with the public of all ages in a professional manner, have their own vehicle, and possess a valid U. S. driver's license. Previous experience with environmental education, interpretation, work in a field camp setting, data collection, and wildlife identification is preferred. Applicants with college coursework in biology, ecology, history, education or similar fields are encouraged to apply. A small living allowance of \$180.00/week will be provided.

Send a cover letter, resume, and contact information for at least 3 references (must include email and phone number) by email to: Shaun_Roche@fws.gov. Please do not send applications by mail.

Last Day to Apply: February 14th, 2014